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Only In America

Georgia Southern University bans textbooks

STATESBORO, Ga. - Students at Georgia Southern University are no longer allowed to have textbooks on campus.

Nurses at the Health Center on GSU's campus have pleaded to have all textbooks banned due to the large number of students flooding their facility with dangerously deep paper cuts.

"I am afraid to open a textbook. One of my friends was rushed to the emergency room the other day because he had lost so much blood from a paper cut," GSU student Joe Blow said.

In an unheard-of move, the administration at GSU as heard the request and agreed to ban all books from campus.

"We will be moving to a completely digital campus now. This will not only protect our students, but save them money in the long run," University President Bruce Grube said in a press release on Wednesday.

Students will not be allowed to buy textbooks for next semester.

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Quote of the Day

"WITTICISM, n. A sharp and clever remark, usually quoted, and seldom noted."

-Ambrose Bierce, The Devil's Dictionary



Weekend Weather

Saturday



Acid Rain

HIGH
150°
LOW
-55°

NOW!



Nuclear Winter

HIGH
??
LOW
Very cold

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Goats take over GSU student paper

As a result of takeover, Jorge-Anita readership increases

By Billy Goat

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It was a baaaaad night at La Jorge-Anita newsroom Wednesday evening as a band of goats came in and took the place over.

"It was terrible," said Adam Crisp, managing editor of *The Hiatus*. "We didn't know what hit us; one second we were working on getting the paper out, and the next we were tied up while the goats took over."

The incident occurred about 8 p.m., just as the editors of the paper began working on their regular Thursday edition.

According to Luke Hearn, news editor, the goats were very forceful.

"I never knew the strength a goat had until I was body slammed and tied together with the rest of the editors. They were very mean to us, and I was scared."

After the editors were tied up, the goats began to ransack the newsroom, eating old newspapers and chewing computer wires.

Scared and helpless, managing editor Katie Glorieux fainted, adding more hysteria to the already horrifying scene.

"I thought I was a strong person. I thought I could handle anything, that is until I was attacked. I could never

have imagined the fear that I endured while being held hostage by the gang of goats," said Glorieux.

Where the goats came from, no one knows for sure. Editor-

in-chief Amanda Permenter said the goats may have come from the petting zoo at the Raptor Center, but also said that she has heard of a secret cult of goat lovers living near campus who may be to blame.

"I always thought goats were cute and cuddly, but not anymore. Those goats entered our work area with an agenda, and I hope that investigators will find out who sent them to destroy our lives," said Permenter.

According to police reports, WVGS, the student-run radio station, contacted GSU police at about 6 p.m.,



Texas Pickle/STAFF

Goats run rampant in the Jorge-Anita office, causing staffers Adam Crisp (left to right), Luke Hearn, Amanda Permenter and Katie Glorieux (unseen) hours of fear resulting in mental anguish and larger medical bills.

complaining of shrill cries and deviant laughter.

However, when police arrived they found news editor Luke Hearn alone, editing a story written by Jessica Luber. The goats apparently didn't arrive until two hours later.

"Sometimes I just cry, dammit," yelled Hearn in a

telephone interview. "And then I get happy."

Police were reluctant to return to the newsroom after the first call ended in Hearn's pleas for the officers to "put your guns down and let's hug, fellas."

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Georgia legislators finally fix HOPE

By Onedum Senior

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Georgia Governor Sonny Perdue announced yesterday the enactment of a plan that will repair the state's HOPE budget once and for all. State legislators approved the plan last week with a record-setting none opposed.

The plan involves taking a higher percentage of proceeds from state lottery sales, leaving big lottery winners with a barely noticeable decrease in prize amounts and providing nearly twice as much funding for government assisted education programs including pre-kindergarten and technology grants. Lottery officials are optimistic about the change.

"We've already raised more than seven billion dollars for education, but we are confident we can do more. We sucker in so many people with each drawing that it's ridiculous," said Georgia Lottery President and CEO Margaret DeFrancisco.

State education officials say better ideas have been on the tip of everyone's tongues for years, and a major creative block appears to have finally disintegrated in Atlanta.

"The extensive plan fills a 3,500-page



Special Photo

Governor Sonny Perdue (right) makes an unexpected move, reflected by the expression on John Brown's face (left) head of the HOPE Educators Committee, by allowing more money to be given to HOPE Scholarship winners.

docket book Sonny once reserved for doodling in with markers, but it's surprisingly easy to understand. It's a simple case of borrowing from the unaware to give to the poor," said Georgia's first lady Mary Perdue.

"He just loves magic markers," she said.

Perdue's announcement, which outlined the specifics of the strategy, also brought relief to the dozens of students still concerned with meeting the requirements for maintaining the scholarship.

"These punctilious legislators have assuaged my imper-

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Jared Siri/STAFF

Are students breaking the rules by putting there cigarette butts here? No one seems to know.

Smokers perplexed over where to put cigarette butts

By Joe Camel

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Georgia Southern student Richard Flannigan has smoked since he came to GSU three years ago. While he says he would love to have a cigarette between his classes, he cannot, due to his confusion with the ashtrays on campus, which display a no cigarette sign.

"Every time I go to light up, I remember the confusing signs on the ashtrays around campus," said Flannigan. "The signs indicate to me that cigarette butts are not allowed to be disposed of there, and I don't want to litter, so I just don't smoke."

Flannigan is not alone. Wendall Richardson feels the same pressure each day after he smokes a cigarette leaving his morning class.

"When I'm done with my cigarette, I don't know where to put it; I usually just

flick off the burning end and put the butt in my pocket," Richardson said.

Campus administration had no direct comment on the ambiguity of the signs on the ashtrays, but released a statement saying that their intentions were not to confuse students.

"It is our mission to enrich students' minds, not boggle them," the statement read. "By no means are we out to get smokers, we just want to ensure they put their cigarette butts in the proper place."

That proper place was not identified, and calls for clarification were not immediately returned.

So the question still remains: what do the signs on ashtrays around campus really mean? A recent poll conducted by the Gallop Polling Organization concluded that most students on campus interpret the signs the same and had one overwhelming response: "We're confused as hell."

Parking problems solved

By Mike Hunt

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Parking is a never-ending battle that some Georgia Southern students feel will be the death of them. However, things are about to change. According to parking and transportation boss Bob Chambers, the new plans for the campus have been developed with plans to have more green space on campus around the newest plans to solve the parking problem. "We've had enough of the complaints," Chambers said. "It's time we do what the students want and from what we can tell, that's to essentially have the entire campus."

POLICE BEAT

03.28.05

•Adam Crisp, 23, was arrested and charged with causing a traffic accident after the sun reflected off of his bald spot and blinded an old lady driver. He was also charged with failing to properly execute his comb-over.

•Rachel Weeks, 23, was charged with "smoking something that smelled really funny" and being too zoned out to realize she was being taken to jail.

•Ashley "I'm no longer a freshman" Stevens, 15, was charged with being too damn concerned with her schoolwork.

•Bill "back before we had computers at the newspaper office" Neville, was charged with streaking down the pedestrian; he was found hours after the incident napping — still naked — under a tree on Sweetheart Circle.

•Luke "the most hated man on campus" Hearn, 21, was caught with his hands in his pants, swearing that he was NOT looking at that streaker. He was taken into police custody and charged with committing grotesque acts.

•Amanda Permenter, 23, was charged with...well, something

so bad we just can't name it here.

03.29.05

•Anne McGuire, 19, was charged with stealing spaghetti noodles from The Pickle Barrel. She was taken away by officers, screaming, "These are for my baby... these are for my baby!"

•Amanda "I'm betrothed to another man" Permenter, 23, was arrested on suspicions that she has 15 illegal aliens living in her dorm room.

•Krystle Jackson, 23, was charged with getting so irate that she "threw her copy editing book at Adam Crisp" after he refused to fix a comma splice she noticed while looking over one of his articles.

03.30.05

•Katie "I'm single and lovin' it" Glorieux, 22, was charged with illegal use of a whip while working at Sonic Burger.

•Morgan Marsh, 20, was arrested for "shaking her groove thing in the krunkest way."

•Trevor "I look old enough to be your father" Long, 24, was arrested for polygamy.

•LaVene Bell, 28, was arrested for smuggling her relatives into the country for her wedding, via a shipping container found at the Savannah Ports Authority.

•Matt Rapp, 22, was charged with peeing in the bushes right in front of President Grube's office.

•Dallas Oliver, 23, was arrested after being found with a suitcase containing a dead transvestite.

•Kelley Callaway, 29, was arrested for having the cutest baby in the entire world!

•LaTasha Smith, 25, was arrested after nearly beating the life out of Luke Hearn after he forgot to sign his time sheet.

•Sarah Banks, 22, was charged with killing a client after he complained about the ad she made for him.

•Lindsey Treadwell, 22, was charged with attempted murder after Trevor Long left a document open on her computer screen.

— After spending a night or two in jail, all George-Anne members are now back and working.

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But when the officers did finally arrive, they were greeted with a horrendous sight. Steaming piles of manure and soiled couch cushions were flung about the office; there was also damage caused by the goats.

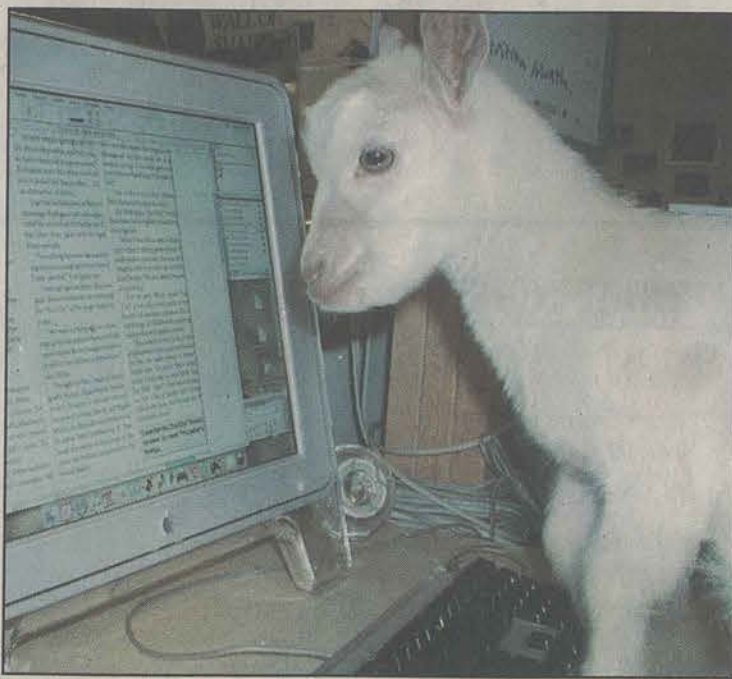
The police, however, were defenseless and ended up fleeing the building as the pack of goats chased the officers from the Williams Center.

La Jorge-Anita staff credits sports editor Matt Rapp with saving them from the hooves of the goats. Rapp, who is a member of Sigma Nu fraternity, said he knew just what to do with a goat.

"He just burst through the door and when he saw the goats, he knew them by name and everything," said Anne McGuire, the J-A's copy editor. "I think they were old friends or something."

Rapp says he and his fraternity brothers are "well-acquainted" with Statesboro's goat community.

"I just knew what to do," said Rapp. "I gave them that look and



Dallas Oliver/STAFF

A goat works at a computer in La Jorge-Anita office.

they knew to just back off."

On a side note, the goats managed to lay out and edit many of the pages in Thursday's editions, writing a pro-Republican editorial.

"It's the first time the staff has

really done some good writing," commented John Lockhead, head of the GSU Baptist-Pentecostal Alliance for Overall Prudishness. "Maybe they will have them back for a couple more weeks."

HOPE, FROM PAGE 1

vious recreancy unobjectionably," said GSU junior Physics major Juno Weknomuch. "I can only commensurately contain my ebullience."

However, according to available

documents, the proposal will actually lower the requirements for HOPE, providing more Georgians with an opportunity to attend college.

"Everyone should get schooling.

Look at me - I'm a veterinarian! I went to UGA. If I can do it, all Georgians can," said Perdue.

But not everyone is happy with this part of the plan. University officials fear schools will not be able to make accommodations for skyrocketing enrollment rates, and some financial aid departments are reportedly ready to strike.

"Who cares if money grows on trees now? Who do they think we are? We have enough problems with people who can't spell their names on their FAFSA applications," said GSU Financial Aid Director Connie Murphy.

Some members from several of GSU's Christian fellowship organizations, like sophomore Paul Galatians, believe this development is a sure sign of impending rapture.

"Listen, it's right there in the book of Daniel. God told him, 'shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.' If this isn't knowledge increasing while people run to and fro, I don't know what is."

When asked about his involvement in this end-time activity, University System of Georgia Chancellor Thomas Meredith just smiled.

"I don't know about that, but this definitely meets the ninth and last item in our official Board of Regents goals statement: 'Increase, diversify and strategically allocate resources,'" said Meredith. "We're just pleased as punch."

Band members drop out of local concert

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The much heralded performance of band "3 Doors Down" got a little smaller this week.

Two of the three members of the band announced the wouldn't step foot inside Bulloch County.

The plans sent school officials scrambling, but rather than pull the plug altogether, school officials have decided to have just one of the band members perform at Paulson Stadium.

Since the band has scaled back, so has their name. They will now be known as "Your Neighbor," a play on the fact that the band has just one door down actually coming to GSU.

As for a reason for the apparent pull-out, the bandmembers say they wouldn't have anything to do with a town that didn't have a liquor store within the city limits.

School officials say they are working on the issue, citing recent efforts to sell vodka at Snackers in the Russell Union. Trials of the sales have gone well with many students enjoying the hard liquor straight from the bottle.

"You'd be surprised how much we've been selling. Especially on Sunday," said Snackers clerk Jeanne Johnson.

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